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was done in the matter. He requested that the restoration of the canal might receive the early consideration of the Government.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

37. *Conversion of four village roads in the Chengannur taluk into cartable roads.*

Mr. Aiyappan Aiyappan(Member, Chengannur Taluk) said that, though the Main Central Road passed through the taluk, there were no proper feeder roads in the taluk. There were certain village roads which, owing to the breaches caused by floods, were in a bad condition. The question of improving them had been brought to the notice of the Government at the previous Assemblies, but the works were not yet taken in hand. Owing to the situation of the public offices, the Aranmula temple and several markets in the taluk, the proposed roads were very essential. He therefore requested that the following village roads might be converted into cartable roads :—

(1) From Mavelikara to Aranmula.

(2) From Kumbazha to Kozhencheri. The road should be metalled.

(3) From the 67th mile stone of the Main Central Road to Omallur.

(4) From Omallur to Elanthoor Thenguntharapadi. This road was constructed by the public. The culverts on the road should also be repaired.

The Member added that, of the roads, the first two were comparatively the most important.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

38. *Conversion of the trace from Thiruvella to Kozhencheri into a cart-road.*

Mr. Vasudevan Subramonian Moothathu (Member Thiruvella Taluk) said that the eastern group of villages of the taluk had been suffering for a long time for want of a proper road. The people of the taluk had spent much in constructing the trace from Thiruvella to Kozhencheri. The necessity for making the road cartable had been recognised by the Government and the work (item No. 8 in the list of public works in the Kottayam Division) was proposed to be taken up *in its turn* in the programme of works and an estimate had been called for for the same. The road was seven miles long and there were only three bridges and a few culverts to be repaired. These works were estimated to cost only Rs. 4,200. In view of the importance of the works and the trifling cost involved, the Member requested that the Government might be pleased to exercise their discretion and order the road being taken up *at once* and not *in its turn*. If that could not be

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